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Applicant: Bonora, et al.

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Title: Unified Frame For Semiconductor
Material Handling System

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PETITION TO EXPUNGE

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.59(b), Applicant hereby requests that Application Numbers 10/087,092 and 10/087,400 cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith, be expunged and preserved in confidence. Application Numbers 10/087,092 and 10/087,400 have a filing receipt date of March 1, 2002 and have not been published in the United States or any foreign country. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.14(a), patent applications that have not been published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) are preserved in confidence pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(a). Therefore, applicant requests that Application Numbers 10/087,092 and 10/087,400 be expunged and preserved in confidence.

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